

**Manistee City Planning Commission
70 Maple Street, Manistee, MI 49660**

WORKSESSION NOTES

February 15, 2001

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Davis, Greg Ferguson, Ray Fortier, Brad Williams, and Roger Yoder

MEMBERS ABSENT: John Lakos, Phil Picardat, John Serocki, and Tony Slawinski

OTHERS PRESENT: Greg Flisram (Langworthy Strader LeBlanc), Patrick Waterman (Langworthy Strader LeBlanc), John Rozga (Parks Commission), Meagan Bobier-Kempf (Parks Commission), Ben Kubiak (Parks Commission), John Perschbacher (Zoning Board of Appeals), Mark Wittlief (Zoning Board of Appeals), Jane Schimke (722 Harbor Drive), Jon R. Rose (Community Development) and Denise Mikula (City Staff)

Worksession began at 7:04 p.m.

MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE GENERAL CITIZENRY:

None

WORKSESSION:

Greg Flisram of Langworthy Strader LeBlanc explained to members of the Parks Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals the process of updating the Master Plan. Members of the Planning Commission broke off into a group to review and update how the central portion of the City had been categorized in the plan from 1988 for development. The map was updated with input from the members of the Planning Commission.

Members of the Parks Commission were lead in an exercise by Patrick Waterman of Langworthy Strader LeBlanc. The exercise mirrored the one done by members of the Planning Commission at their meeting of February 1, 2001. The list of items that they felt needed to be addressed included:

- Economic Development
 - Renaissance Park
 - Tourism for families
- Housing

Recreation

Lack of funding
Sports Complex
Pedestrian Safety

Transportation

U.S. 31 bottleneck
Need better signage for services (i.e. better signage for beaches, parks etc)

Infrastructure

Sidewalk repair

Historic Preservation

Marketing of the Community

Areas in need of special attention included:

Manistee Lake

Consumers property - Railroad

First Street Corridor from U.S. 31 to Beach

Maxwell Town

Sewer, Water & Sidewalks

Community Pride

Industrial Park

Northside

Presidents District

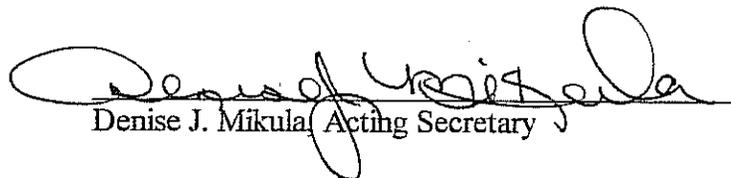
Historical Homes/Buildings

Mr. Flisram gave a handout to everyone in attendance that asks how the neighborhoods in the City could be broken down for neighborhood meetings. Once completed they should be dropped of at Jon Rose's office.

Due to the time the exercise from the first meeting will be reviewed at the next meeting. Members from the Parks Commission and ZBA were thanked for their attendance.

There being no further discussion the worksession closed at 9:14 p.m.

MANISTEE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION


Denise J. Mikula, Acting Secretary